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## **Delta water quality standards**

### Status of current standards

- recent Periodic Review
- current Board focus and schedule
- new legislative mandate
- draft response letter to Board

### Adequacy of current standards

- what are the Beneficial Uses and how does the existing WQCP protect them?
- what additional protections were added by new BiOps?
- what protections are lacking?

### Options for EPA action

- do nothing (except continue to offer SWRCB assistance and support)
- promulgation without disapproval
- disapproval and promulgation
- ANPRM to solicit input
- science-oriented workshop(s) to solicit input

### Next steps

- interactions/briefings for
  - Yoshii briefing
  - OST and OW
  - interactions with State Board
  - DOI and CEQ
- draft ANPRM
- 104b3 RFP

